

Agency 410

Transportation Commission**Recommendation Summary**

Dollars in Thousands

	Annual FTEs General Fund State	Other Funds	Total Funds
2009-11 Expenditure Authority	9.7	2,445	2,445
Total Maintenance Level	9.7	2,244	2,244
Difference		(201)	(201)
Percent Change from Current Biennium	0.0%	(8.2)%	(8.2)%
Performance Changes			
Suspend Plan 1 Uniform COLA #		(17)	(17)
Subtotal		(17)	(17)
Total Proposed Budget	9.7	2,227	2,227
Difference		(218)	(218)
Percent Change from Current Biennium	0.0%	(8.9)%	(8.9)%
Total Proposed Budget by Activity			
Transportation Management and Policy	9.7	2,227	2,227
Total Proposed Budget	9.7	2,227	2,227

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTIONS**Transportation Management and Policy**

The Commission represents the public's interest in the long-term planning, financing, and delivery of statewide transportation systems and services. It actively engages the public and stakeholders in the statewide planning and policy development process. It also recommends transportation policy needs and changes to the Legislature and the Governor's Office, based upon knowledge gained from outreach, studies, and meetings. The Commission is designated as the state's tolling authority and also sets ferry fares and related fare policy for Washington State Ferries. In setting ferry fares and highway tolls, the Commission conducts an extensive public input process prior to making fare and toll decisions. It is required to develop the 20 year statewide Washington Transportation Plan. This plan establishes the state's general transportation policy direction and funding priorities that the Department of Transportation, regional, and local transportation agencies are required to structure their various plans around. The Commission has oversight responsibilities for the Department of Transportation's Public Private Partnership (PPP) program, ensuring that a fully independent proposal, bid, and contract execution protocol is followed. It also holds final decision authority on all PPP contracts. The Commission conducts various policy and financing studies as directed by the Legislature and Governor and advises state leadership of the studies' findings and recommendations.